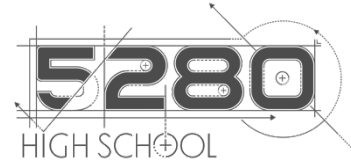


BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING



DATE: Thursday, November 19, 2020

TIME: 5:30pm MST

LOCATION: Via Conference Call:

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Board Members Present: Brett Reece, Chair; Rachel Ksenyak, Secretary; Cassandra Stevenson, Treasurer

5280 Staff Present: Melissa Mouton, School Director

Guests Present: Linda Brown, Paul Scudo

The meeting was called to order at 5:34pm by Brett Reece, Chair

1.0 COMMENTS

- The mission of 5280 High School was read
- Board members shared celebrations
- There was no public comment from guests or community members

2.0 CONSENT ITEMS

- Approve October 22, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

There being no further discussion, upon motion duly made by Brett and seconded by Cassandra, the motion to approve the October 22, 2020, Regular Board meeting minutes was approved by the following vote:

Ayes	3
Noes	0

Abstentions	0
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3.0 ACTION ITEMS

- First reading: Proposed Revision in 5280 Discipline Policy

M. Mouton is recommending a change to our discipline policy. Currently, “sale or distribution of, or intent to sell, unauthorized drugs or controlled substance”, is an automatic expulsion and requires reporting to law enforcement. M. Mouton would like to shift the policy from mandatory to discretionary, given 5280 High School’s focus on recovery. M. Mouton will bring the board’s questions and concerns to our attorney, and present for discussion again next month. This is a first reading, so no vote is needed at this time.

- First Reading: 2020-2021 Revised Budget

M. Mouton walked through the changes to the revised budget and the board had an opportunity to discuss and ask questions. The board will do a second review and vote on the budget next month.

- Approval of Paul Scudo as new board member

The board had an opportunity to discuss Paul’s candidacy at the last board meeting. There being no further discussion, upon motion duly made by Brett and seconded by Rachel, the motion to approve Paul Scudo as a new board member was approved by the following vote.

Ayes	3
Noes	0
Abstentions	0

4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

- Finance Committee Report
 - Review October Financials
 - Review 2019-2020 Final Audit
 - 2020 990 update – Extension requests filed

C. Stevenson gave an update. The contract for our current accountant is up. Our new accountant will be Sara from Atticus LLC, who came highly recommended by another school. M. Mouton and our business manager received and reviewed a proposal, and determined that it works with our budget. After we receive the budget, M. Mouton plans to sign. The current accountant is doing our November Financials; note that the current dashboard is proprietary, so financials will look different moving forward.

Reminder that following October count, we are now getting revenue based on actual student head-count. Not much has changed on the revenue or expense sides. Some expenses are higher than anticipated, mostly related to facility.

We received an unqualified opinion on our final audit, which means our financial statements accurately reflect our financial position. Our overall net position is positive, although this is partially attributed to PPP. We will do a review of auditors for next year.

J. Cutler filed a 990 extension on our behalf.

- Fundraising Committee Report
 - Grant updates
 - Update on new committee members / progress

M. Mouton gave an update. The finance committee has not met yet. We have received several grants recently including \$25K from Counselor Core, \$40K from Gates Family Foundation, \$25K from Governor Polis' relief fund, \$22K from Signal Health Care, and \$50K from Allie Meyer.

- Executive Director Report
 - COVID update

5280 has had no in person cases. We have had three cases among virtual students, but this does not affect in-person learning. We want to open in-person January 7, but this is very much TBD. In terms of our change application, we are submitting more documents to DPS, and we continue to be optimistic that we will be approved. In terms of updates, The Governor's budget is looking positive for K-12. All four education-related ballot initiatives passed in Denver, which is great for K-12, and we expect to see a positive impact on PPR. The Superintendent of DPS resigned, which is likely to have a significant impact on charter schools.

- Update on the Program Change Application
- Legislative update
- Update on DPS Leadership Change
- Update on 1200 W Mississippi
- Governance Committee Report
 - Updates on member onboarding, recruitment
 - Update on 2020-2021 organizational goals

R. Ksenyak gave an update on the governance committee's first meeting. The committee will prioritize new board member orientation (and rolled-out a plan for Paul), board recruitment, and driving the full board towards adopting a short list of organizational priorities and SMART goals aligned with charter renewal. The board discussed committee and individual assignments with the goals to be presented and discussed at the next full board meeting.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, upon motion made by Paul, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 17, 5:30p.m. – 7:30pm, via video conference

Respectfully submitted by:

 12/17/20

Rachel Ksenyak
Secretary, 5280 High School Board of Directors